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Once again I am offering hand dug, hand cleaned and hand graded bulbs at rock bottom prices. In these days of the depreciated dollar, gladiolus bulbs are the best buy in the world.

Large bulbs bloom several weeks earlier than the smaller ones, produce a larger flower which commands a higher price, and are usually the most profitable for the commercial grower. Medium bulbs of most varieties will give an excellent but somewhat shorter flowerhead. Nearly all small bulbs will bloom if planted early, and all will make large bulbs for the following year.

Unless otherwise noted after the description of a variety, the price of all bulbs will be as follows.

Large 3 for .25                  medium 4 for .20  
small 10 for .25

Large 10 for .75      medium 10 for .45  
small 10 for .25

Most varieties can be furnished by the hundred at the following prices.

|       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 |
| 5.00  | 4.00  | 3.00  | 2.50  | 2.00  | 1.50  |

Excessive shipping charges make it unprofitable to accept orders for less than \$2.50. Please do not order any single item for less than 20c. Retail orders will be shipped prepaid. Wholesale orders are priced F. O. B. Rochester.

## 1953 RETAIL LIST

**ABIGAIL.** Big, distinctive, light lavender which has always been outstanding here. Opens 8 or more on a nice spike.

ANNAMAE. Early white that is really white. An easy glad to grow for it is naturally straight.

**ASTRID.** Topnotch rose with deeper throat. Right-ly rated one of the very best.

**AUREOLE.** Tall, ruffled yellow that is very pleasing in both form and color.

**BIG TOP.** Immense light salmon with dark blotch.  
Tall and striking. A real eye arrester.

**BIKINI.** Vivid orange with purple blotch. Medium height but a truly dazzling color.

**BITTERSWEET.** Somewhat similar to Bikini in color but taller and slightly larger.

**BLACK PHANTOM.** Extra tall, very dark red.  
Buds almost black. Very popular.

- BLESSED DAMOSEL.** Exceptionally beautiful light rose of a clear pastel shade. Large flowered. Rather late bloomer.
- BUCKEYE BRONZE.** Unquestionably the best smoky bronze. Well ruffled, a fine grower and very popular.
- BOLERO.** Brownish orange with darker blotch. Lacinated and ruffled petals. A snappy smoky.
- BOUTON D'OR.** Golden yellow with a double row placement. A good yellow for commercial use.
- BURMA.** Many people tell us that our strain of Burma is superlative. Nothing else quite like this deep rose. One of the most beautiful glads but at its best from large bulbs.
- CHERBOURG.** Tall growing, medium rose of a lively shade.
- CONCORD.** Early. Grape purple with brilliant sheen.
- CONN. YANKEE.** Light pink with scarlet blotch. Many large blooms open at once.
- CORONA.** Rugged growing white with pink border on petal edges.
- COVER GIRL.** Tall pink which is very satisfactory.
- DAISY MAE.** Orange pink with darker blotch. First class in every way.
- DEBORAH SAMPSON.** Pastel light buff on a strong growing plant. Ten open blooms is not uncommon. One of the best light pastels.
- DIEPPE.** Wonderfully impressive salmon red. A topnotch glad.
- DOROTHY ARMSTRONG.** Opens eight medium sized purple blooms on a long, wiry flowerhead. Fine showflower and a good commercial.
- ELIZABETH THE QUEEN.** Most beautiful lavender. Ruffled and fluted blooms on a spike of medium height. Heavy show winner.
- ETHEL CAVE-COLE.** Very early, large flowered light pink. A hard one to beat for an early commercial.
- FAIR ANGEL.** Early white. Well ruffled and well worth while.
- FIREBRAND.** An early red that is outstanding here. Nice clear color and exceptionally good spikes. Medium and small bulbs only.
- FIRELIGHT.** Midseason light red. Large, well placed flowerets on a good spike.
- FRANCIS M. IRWIN.** Different shade of rosy lavender. Has some misplaced blooms, but the color is grand. Well liked by florist.
- GEN. EISENHOWER.** Always a winner. Huge begonia pink. One of the best from Holland.
- GOLDEN ARROW.** A reliable medium yellow which we grow in quantity for our cutflower trade.
- GOLDEN STATE.** Tall, deep yellow which opens a large number of good sized blooms at once.
- HARMAU.** Nice growing salmon with deeper throat.
- HARRY HOPKINS.** Reddish rose that is very fine. Tall, well balanced spikes.
- HAWKEYE RED.** Brilliant, glowing medium red. Rated as one of the best commercials.

- HEAVENLY WHITE.** Blue white that is both unusual and good.
- HIGH FINANCE.** Smoky, mottled light orange. Big, rugged and distinctly worth while.
- H. R. HANCOCK.** Snappy salmon with lighter throat. Always reliable for us.
- HUNTRESS.** Early lavender of medium shade. Opens a large number of blooms at once. Fine florist flower.
- JEANIE.** One of the best known and best liked pinks. Tall, large flowered and extra good.
- KESTRAL.** Fine, large orange. Two tone effect that is very pleasing.
- KING LEAR.** Ruffled and needlepoint purple which is quite striking. Our stock of it is especially healthy. Try it.
- LADY EVE.** White with bright red blotch. Very striking.
- LANCASTER.** This is an exhibition purple which can be very nice when well grown.
- LARAMIE.** Late reddish orange. Opens a large number of florets at once on a medium height spike.
- LAVENDER GLORY.** Sensational new rosy lavender. See our ad in N.E.G.S. Yearbook or write for detailed description.
- LAVENDER QUEEN.** Always straight lavender with deeper lavender fleckings on petal edges.
- LEADING LADY.** Large creamy white that is one of the best.
- LIPSTICK.** Light pink with red blotch in throat. It is a topnotch g ad in every respect.
- MANCHU.** Oriental display of yellow and red. Tall, vigorous and flashy. A unique combination of colors.
- MASQUERADE.** Brilliant yellow with deep red blotch. Makes up sensationally in sprays and baskets.
- MODERN TIMES.** Reddish purple with glowing sheen.
- MONTPELIER.** Salmon pink, somewhat similar to Spic and Span in color. Under favorable conditions it can be very good.
- MORNING KISS.** Immense, tall growing white with small deep pink blotch in throat. Will require staking in rich soil.
- MOUNTAIN GEM.** The more of this deep red we grow, the better we like it. Nice color and a consistently good grower.
- MT .INDEX.** Not many glads have as many good qualities as this clean white with a bright yellow throat. It is extra good.
- MYRNA FAY.** Extra early, tall lavender of medium shade. Valuable as an early commercial.
- NANCY.** Highly rated scarlet that is well liked by growers.
- NEW EUROPE.** Orange red. Brightest color imaginable. Big flowers. Placement not always perfect but is showy and good.
- ORIENTAL PEARL.** Huge flowered cream. Florets often measure 8 inches. Tall erect spikes. Many times a blue ribbon winner.

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- OCTOBER SUNSHINE.** Brilliant light orange. Some misplaced florets but color makes it worth while.
- PANDORA.** Very nice buff pink. Graceful, shapely and good.
- PARTHIENA.** Rosy mauve. Large florets of a pleasing shade on fine tall spikes.
- PHANTOM BEAUTY.** Warm light pink which will open ten or more on a perfect spike. Extra nice.
- PRESIDENT TRUMAN.** Large flowered light pink that is well liked by garden visitors.
- PURPLE SUPREME.** Extra tall. Straight growing deep purple with a brilliant sheen. Fine in every way.
- RED CHARM.** The standard red. Medium deep shade. Has everything necessary to make a topnotch glad.
- RHETT BUTLER.** Very early, brilliant light red. Inclined to crook if planted late, but it makes a nice early commercial.
- ROOSEVELT'S MEMORY.** A tall, pure white. A midseason white that is a very easy grower.
- ROSE O'DAY.** Bright rose which opens a large number of florets. Fine color and a favorite with all.
- ROSE RUFFLES.** Salmon rose with immense blooms on a straight spike.
- ROYAL WINDSOR.** Very bright spectrum red. Unusual but really beautiful color. Distinctly worth while.
- SALMAN'S GLORY.** Tall growing cream with yellow edged red blotch. An extra good glad.
- SHERWOOD.** Velvety purple, shading to deeper purple in the throat. Well ruffled blooms on tall, straight spikes.
- SIBONY.** Giant lavender on immense spikes. Heavy show winner and a general favorite.
- SILVER WINGS.** One of the best whites. Well ruffled, vigorous grower. Good placement and tall spikes. What more could one ask?
- SNOWBANK.** Late, clear white that is an excellent commercial. Medium and small sizes only.
- SNOW PRINCESS.** Early, brilliant white. A good white and valuable because of its earliness.
- SPINDRIFT.** Exhibition type ruffled white that is very nice. Opens a large number of blooms at once. Large bulbs only.
- SPOTLIGHT.** For an all around yellow we like this better than any other yellow we grow. Not spectacular, but a mighty good glad.
- SPIC AND SPAN.** In the brief time since its introduction this ruffled salmon pink has probably won more prizes than any other variety. Will open 10-12 blooms at once on an always straight spike. A really sensational glad. I have a very large stock of this and can quote special prices on lots of several thousands of any size. The bulbs are clean and healthy and unforced.
- STOPLIGHT.** Flashing red that always stops traffic in our gardens. An extra good red.

**SUPREME BEAUTY.** Large flowered deep pink with lighter throat. Distinctive color and always perfectly placed florets.

**SUSQUEHANNA.** Light rose or peach buff. Will open 12 blooms from large bulbs. Recommended highly.

**SUNLIGHT.** Exquisite buff, shading to a golden throat. One of the most beautiful glads, but needs extra fertilizer and water to produce the long flowerheads of which it is capable.

**SUNSPOT.** Apricot with rose blotch. Tall spike and many open florets. Has an enviable show record.

**SKYWAY.** Very early light pink with creamy white throat. Opens 7 or more on a long flowerhead. One of the best recent introductions.

Large .50c      Medium .25c each.

**SUNDAY BEST.** Beautiful light lavender rose shading to creamy lavender throat. Opens 8 or more on a fine spike. Large 1 for .35c Medium 1 for .25c, Small 2 for 30c.

**VOODOO.** Novelty and exhibition glad. Heavily ruffled smoky plum color. American Home medal winner. Voted the most popular variety in the Maine show in 1952. A very nice growing glad.

**WHITE GODDESS.** One of the best whites. Grows five feet tall, with 8 large florets open. Does well from any size bulb.

**WESTERN STAR.** This buff sport of Picardy has all the good qualities of that variety. An exceptionally nice glad to grow.

### 1953 INTRODUCTION

**LAVENDER GLORY.** The result of my 20 years of hybridizing. Spectacular lavender which grows six feet tall. For full description see N. E. G. S. Yearbook. A money making proposition on this one if you grow glads commercially. Write for details.

### COLLECTIONS

If you are interested in working up a stock of commercial varieties, you may have 10 large, 10 medium and 10 small (30 bulbs in all) of any 5 varieties listed at the regular price for \$6.25. This is a \$7.25 value. You may have the same number of bulbs of as many additional varieties as you wish for \$1.25 per variety, but you must buy at least five to obtain this special price. This is an economical way to get started in the cut flower game.

### MIXED COLLECTIONS

At least 40 varieties in a well blended mixture packaged to your order in any combination of shades you may choose. This is an unlabeled collection and will contain several bulbs of still newer varieties which as yet we do not grow in quantities sufficient to list. This is a mighty fine collection of bulbs. Large \$5.00 per 100, \$3.00 per 50. Medium \$3.00 per 100, small \$3.00 per 200. All prepaid.

Please file this list and compare prices with those of other growers. Our bulbs are of high quality, our count is generous and we guarantee to please you. You will find it to your advantage to buy from **SUNLIGHT GLAD GARDENS.**